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SUBJECT: FRENCH LIBERALIZATION OF SEMICONDUCTOR

IMPORTS FROM UK

REF: STATE O88269 OF MAY 10, 1973

1. FIRMS IN UK WHICH MAKE SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES, IMPORT THEM FROM US AND EXPORT TO FRANCE ARE UNAWARE OF ANY RELAXATION IN FRENCH REGULATIONS FOR SEMICONDUCTOR IMPORTS FROM UK. EMBASSY HAS SPOKEN WITH REPS OF TRANSITRON, TEXAS INSTRUMENTS, TEL INC. (UK SUBSIDIARY OF TENNANT) AND EMIHUS.

2. MANAGING DIRECTOR TRANSITRON POINTS OUT THAT US FIRMS WOULD BE SLOW TO MOVE MANUFACTURING BASE FROM US TO UK BECAUSE OF CURRENT US CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST IN MULTINATIONAL FIRMS ALLEGEDLY MOVING JOBS OUT OF US. EMIHUS SALES MANAGER POINTS OUT THAT SEMICONDUCTOR PRICES CURRENTLY LOWER IN EUROPE THAN IN UK.

3. U. K. SEMICONDUCTOR FIRMS GENERALLY MOVING AWAY FROM DIRECT COMPETITION WITH U. S. ON STANDARD ICS IN FAVOR OF DEVICES TAILORED TO INDIVIDUAL REQUIREMENTS. SITU-
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ATION NOW IN U. K. IS " SELLER' S MARKET" WITH DEMAND FOR
BOTH DISCRETE SC AND ICS " ROCKETING".

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